

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Cancelled)

2. **(Currently Amended)** A gas generator for an air bag, comprising:
a housing having a gas discharging hole;
ignition means activated upon an impact, the ignition means including,
a first transfer charge including a mixture of a transfer charge powder and molded articles
of a gas generating agent, and
a second transfer charge including only the molded articles of a gas generating agent; and
a combustion chamber accommodating a gas generating agent which is ignited and burnt
to generate a combustion gas,
wherein the second transfer charge is adapted to be activated after an activation of the
first transfer charge, and
the gas generating agent accommodated in the combustion chamber includes guanidine
nitrate, and basic copper nitrate, carboxymethyl cellulose sodium salt and aluminum hydroxide.

3. (Previously Presented) The gas generator for an air bag according to claim 2, wherein
the transfer charge is a mixture of boron and niter.

4. (Cancelled)

5. **(Currently Amended)** The gas generator for ~~the~~ an air bag according to claim 2,
wherein the molded articles of a gas generating agent include nitroguanidine, strontium nitrate,
and carboxymethyl cellulose sodium salt.

6-7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously Presented) The gas generator for an air bag according to claim 2, wherein the molded articles of a gas generating agent include about 34.4 mass % of nitroguanidine, about 55.6 mass % of strontium nitrate, and about 10.0 mass % of carboxymethyl cellulose sodium salt.

9. (Previously Presented) The gas generator for an air bag according to claim 2, wherein the molded articles of a gas generating agent include nitroguanidine, and strontium nitrate.

10. (Currently Amended) The gas generator for an air bag according to claim 2, wherein the molded articles of a gas generating agent ~~include~~ generate a gas of at least 1.2 moles/100g.

11. (Previously Presented) The gas generator for an air bag according to claim 2, wherein the molded articles of a gas generating agent include carboxymethyl cellulose sodium salt.

12. (Currently Amended) The gas generator for an air bag according to claim ~~7~~ 2, wherein the gas generating agent has a combustion temperature of about 1200 to 1700°C.

13. (Currently Amended) The gas generator for ~~the~~ an bag according to claim 5, wherein the molded articles of a gas generating agent has a combustion temperature of about 2200°C.

14. (Previously Presented) A gas generator for an air bag, comprising:
a housing having a gas discharging hole;
ignition means activated upon an impact, the ignition means including at least one igniter and at least one transfer charge, the at least one transfer charge being a mixture of a transfer charge powder and molded articles of a gas generating agent; and
a combustion chamber accommodating a gas generating agent which is ignited and burnt to generate a combustion gas, wherein

the ignition means includes a first igniter, a first transfer charge, a second igniter, and a second transfer charge, and when the first igniter and the second igniter are activated with a time difference, the second transfer charge combined with the second igniter which is activated with a delay includes only the molded articles of a gas generating agent, and

the molded articles of a gas generating agent include guanidine nitrate, basic copper nitrate, carboxymethyl cellulose sodium salt, and aluminum hydroxide, and have a combustion temperature of about 1200 to 1700°C.